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1. ON OCTOBER 27 AYKAZYAN CONFIRMED TO ROOT OBSERVATIONS NOTED REF B THAT SOVIET MANPOWER AND FINANCING REPORTS EXPECTED BEFORE END OF YEAR SHOULD SERVE AS BASIS FOR CONCLUDING RATHER THAN TERMINATING THESE TWO PROJECTS AND THAT AGREEMENT TO CONCLUDE BY MAY 1977 WORK PROGRAM ON STIMULATION OF BASIC RESEARCH SHOULD NOT PRECLUDE FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITY FOR THAT PROJECT.

2. ON OCTOBER 28 SKLYAROV AND AYKAZYAN DISCUSSEDFUTURE OF ALL FOUR SCIENCE POLICY PROJECTS WITH CAREY AND ROOT. SKLYAROV URGED THAT MANPOWER AND FINANCING PROJECTS NOT BE TERMINATED BEFORE SOVIET REPORTS SUBMITTED EARLY IN 1977. CAREY AND ROOT URGED EARLIER SUBMISSION OF SOVIET REPORTS, NOTING MANPOWER REPORT HAD BEEN PROMISED BY OCTOBER 31 AND FINANCING REPORT BY END OF 1976. CAREY UNDERTOOK TO
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PROVIDE IMMEDIATELY US MANPOWER DRAFT REPORT AND URGED

TRANSMITTAL OF SOVIET MANPOWER REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
PREFERABLY BEFORE PROPOSED VISIT BY RYABININ SO THAT
QUESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO BOTH SOVIET AND AMERICAN REPORTS

COULD BE DISCUSSED DURING RYABININ'S PROPOSED VISIT.
KRUTOV HAD ALREADY AGREED TO THIS PROCEDURE IN A LETTER
TO WOLFLE. SKLYAROV THEREUPON AGREED TO TARGET OF END OF
NOVEMBER FOR MANPOWER REPORT AND END OF DECEMBER FOR
FINANCING REPORT.

3. ROOT NOTED THAT REF A SUGGESTIONS TO TERMINATE
MANPOWER AND FINANCING PROJECTS AND TO CONCLUDE
STIMULATION PROJECT WERE BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE
IN MID-SEPTEMBER AND THAT US WILL WISH TO REVIEW SOVIET
REPORTS ON MANPOWER AND FINANCING AND TO TAKE INTO
ACCOUNT DEVELOPMENTS AT LATE SEPTEMBER JOINT MEETING ON
STIMULATION OF BASIC RESEARCH BEFORE ADOPTING US
POSITION FOR CONSIDERATION AT JOINT COMMISSION MEETING.

4. ON OCTOBER 29, WHILE STEVER WAS ATTENDING SCIENCE
POLICY PLANNING PROJECT MEETING, SKLYAROV STATED THAT
SOVIETS WISH TO DEFER DECISION ON FUTURE OF MANPOWER AND
FINANCING PROJECTS UNTIL REPORTS SOON TO BE EXCHANGED
HAVE BEEN STUDIED. CAREY PRESENTED HIM WITH A US DRAFT
REPORT ON FINANCING ON THAT OCCASION.

5. ON NOVEMBER 5 CAREY PRESENTED TO SKLYAROV 8 OF 14
CHAPTERS OF A US MANPOWER DRAFT REPORT AND PROMISED
DELIVERY OF THE OTHER 6 CHAPTERS BY DECEMBER 1. SKLYAROV
AND CAREY SIGNED A PROTOCOL RECORDING THE SOVIET
UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE EQUIVALENT MATERIAL COVERING BOTH
TRAINING AND UTILIZATION BY NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1 AND
AN EQUIVALENT DRAFT REPORT ON FINANCING BY DECEMBER 31.

6. IF NOT RECEIVED BEFORE PROMISED DATES, REQUEST
EMBASSY FOLLOW UP WITH AYKAZYAN AND SKLYAROV TO OBTAIN
MANPOWER DRAFT REPORT DECEMBER 1 AND FINANCING DRAFT
REPORT DECEMBER 31. KISSINGER

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